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SUBJECT: MALLUM VISITS CAMEROON

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1. IN THE THIRD HIGH LEVEL VISIT SINCE APRIL 25 (SEE REFTELS FOR VISIT OF SPANISH AND ALGERIAN FOREIGN MINISTERS), BRIG. GEN. FILEX MALLOUM, CHAIRMAN OF MILITARY COUNCIL OF CHAD ARRIVED IN CAMEROON AT 1030 ON MAY 9 AND LEFT AT 1000 ON THE 10TH, PRESUMABLY TO RETURN TO NDJAMENA. THIS WAS THE THIRD MEETING OF MALLOUM WITH AHIDJA IN CAMEROON, THE FIRST HAVING TAKEN PLACE IN JANUARY 1976 AT MOKOLO, NORTH CAMEROON AND THE SECOND DURING BRIEF AIRPORT STOP LAST YEAR.

2. AT AIRPORT INTERVIEW, MALLOUM INDICATED HE IS DESIROUS OF TURNING FROLINAT INSURGENCY PROBLEM OVER TO THE OAU IF SUDAN'S EFFORTS TO ARRANGE A MEETING WITH MEMBER OF GOVERN-
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MENT AND OPPOSITION MOVEMENTS DO NOT MATERIALIZE.

3. ACCORDING TO FRANCIS NKWAIN, DEPUTY CHIEF OF PROTOCOL AND FAOUF SAAD, SECOND SECRETARY EGYPTINA EMBASSY (PROTECT BOTH) MALLOUM TOOK UP THE QUESTION OF THE FRENCH INVOLVEMENT IN CHAD AND IN EFFECT RECEIVED ASSURANCES THAT THIS WAS A MATTER BETWEEN CHAD AND FRANCE. AS FAR AS THE GURC WAS

CONCERNED, THIS WAS NOT A PROPER MATTER TO BE DISCUSSED AT THE OAU MEETING IN KHARTOUM. FURTHERMORE, NKWAIN INDICATED THAT CAMEROON WAS FAVORABLY DISPOSED TO SUPPORT THE CHAD POSITION VIS A VIS FROLINAT AND WAS PARTICULARLY SKEPTICAL OF THE LIBYAN ROLE IN THE CEASE FIRE. HE SAID THAT THE GURC IS FEARFUL OF THE PRESENT INSTABILITY IN CHAD AND DOES NOT WISH TO SEE CHADIAN PROBLEMS OVERFLOW IN THE THE CAMEROON. THEREFORE, CAMEROON WAS PREPARED TO SUPPORT CHADIAN EFFORTS TO SEEK A PEACEFUL RESOLUTION OF THEIR DIFFICULTIES.
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